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Attention:

Ed Kruck

SUBJECT:

HAZARDOUS WASTE TANK SYSTEM ASSESSMENT FOR ACID/CHROME HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT SYSTEM

Dear Mr. Kruck:

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UNDERGROUND TANK SYSTEMS (§66265.192(a)(4))

All tanks are installed aboveground. The area is not at risk due to vehicular traffic.

STRUCTURAL DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS (§66265.192(a)(5))

As noted in the containment certification prepared by Mr. Davis, the tank system (including pumps and piping) has been adequately designed and has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or rupture. It should be noted that the tank supports were recently retrofitted with steel bolts and additional bracing as a result of this 2006 Tank Certification Project. The tank foundations will maintain the load of the full tank, and all tanks are properly anchored per Zone 4 seismic requirements.

Attachment B contains the summary certification and description page for the seismic and structural evaluation.

PROPER INSTALLATION OF TANK SYSTEMS (§66265.192(b))

There are no reports available addressing observations of the tank system during the installation phase. The tanks were reportedly installed in 1992-1993 and although the operation and maintenance manual from the initial installation was reviewed for this certification, records could not be located specifically addressing the installation or design criteria in use at that time.

BACKFILL FOR UNDERGROUND TANKS AND PIPING (§66265.192(c))

This section is not applicable because the tanks, piping and components are not located underground.

TIGHTNESS TESTING FOR NEW TANK SYSTEMS (§66265.192(d))

Records were unavailable to establish that the tanks were hydrostatically tested upon initial installation. However, they have been in use in 1993 and no leaks have been reported or recorded. During the certification process, the tanks were observed to be partially full to completely full and no evidence of leaking was observed by either Hugh Davis or Oscar Malkhoo during their site evaluations.

ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION (§66265.192(e))

All ancillary equipment containing regulated waste including piping, pumps, valves, mixers, filter press, etc. is located within the concrete secondary containment area. Transfer pumps are anchored within the containment area and piping is affixed to concrete walls and/or steel support structures. Painted metal supporting beams and elevated work platforms have been used to reinforce ancillary equipment from vibration, thermal expansion, or seismic movement. Since the secondary containment structure has a capacity of over 2,100 gallons which exceeds the largest tank within the structure (700 gallons), plus 6 inched of rainfall, the ancillary equipment does not appear to pose a risk of spill or release to the environment.

CORROSION PROTECTION (§66265.192(f))

The tank system is located in a reinforced concrete containment area that is coated with a chemically resistant coating. The tanks do not contact soil and the tanks are all constructed of or lined with polyethylene or polyvinyl chloride, non-metallic materials that is not susceptible to corrosion. All piping is made from PVC.

Ed, should you or the Santa Fe Springs Fire Department require additional information, please contact me at 714-322-0470.

Sincerely.

ESCI EnviroServices. Inc.

Steven M. Lichten, REA, CPEA, CPP

President

Principal Environmental Scientist

Attachment:



ATTACHMENT A

ELECTRONIC CHROME AND GRINDING CO., INC. WASTE ACID TREATMENT SYSTEM

ENGINEERING CERTIFICATIONS

Tank and Secondary Containment Assessment Document

This document was prepared for:

Company name: ELECTRONIC CHROME & GRINDING CO. INC.

Address: 9128-32 DICE ROAD

City, California ZIP: SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670

Tank/system identification:

Chrome Reduction and Precipitation System. Tanks WT1 through WT6 and FP

Date of inspection(s)/assessment:

This equipment was inspected and certified as adequate for the requirements of 22CCR265.192 and 22CCR265.193 on July 18, 2006

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who mange the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to be the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Assessors name:

Oscar Malkhoo

California PE No.:

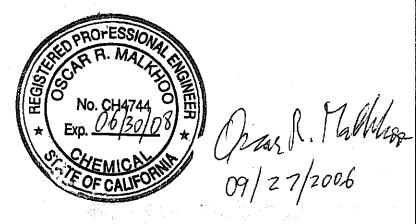
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Address of assessor:

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Date stamped/signed:

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CONTAINMENT CERTIFICATION

I, Oscar Malkhoo, an independent California Registered Professional Engineer, have reviewed the entire Wastewater Treatment Plant at *Electronic Chrome & Grinding Co. Inc.*, 9128-32 Dice Road, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670.

I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the tanks, piping and pumps are constructed of material that is suitable to handle the wastes that are treated at the facility. Based on the waste characterization that was presented by the facility the materials used were compatible with the wastes that the facility treats. The materials used in the tanks, pumps, and piping are steel, fiberglass, polyethylene, and polyvinyl chloride. These materials showed no erosion or corrosion at the time of the inspection.

The system was determined to meet the corrosion protection requirements of CCR Title 22, 66265.192.

Based on the above assessment, I believe that the system has a remaining life of over 5 years. The facility will have an independent professional engineer re-certify this system every 5 years, and any deficiencies that are found will be corrected before certification is reissued.

No. CH4744 OF STEP STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO STA

Registered Professional Engineer

07/18/2006 Date



HUGH L. DAVIS COMPANY

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DOCI	UMENT TITLE Containment Certification	
· 	Waste Water Treatment System July 18,	2006

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Sept. 25, 2006



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CONTAINMENT CERTIFICATION

I, Hugh L. Davis, an independent California Registered Professional Engineer, have reviewed the entire Waste Water Treatment System, including all tanks and containments dedicated to wastewater treatment at: ELECTRONIC CHROME & GRINDING CO. INC. 9128 Dice Road, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the tanks, pumps and piping from the rinse tanks are not leaking, nor are they unfit for use. An assessment has been made to determine that the above equipment is adequately designed and has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or rupture. This assessment addresses the following as specified in CCR Title 22.66265.192.

- 1. Tank foundations will maintain the load of the full tank.
- Tanks are properly anchored per Zone 4 seismic requirements.
- 3. No tanks were visibly leaking at the time of inspection.
- 4. All tanks were properly installed and are well maintained.
- 5. The secondary containment system will contain at least 100% of the contents of the largest tank within the area.
- 6. This system has been in operation since 1993.

Based on the above assessment, I believe that this system is adequate for continued service.

HUGH L DAVIS

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This certification is valid for 5 years from the date below. After that date, the system must be re-certified by and independent professional engineer in order to remain in compliance with CCR Title 22.265.192. Any deficiencies found must be corrected before re-certification can be issued.

Hugh L. Davis, P.E.

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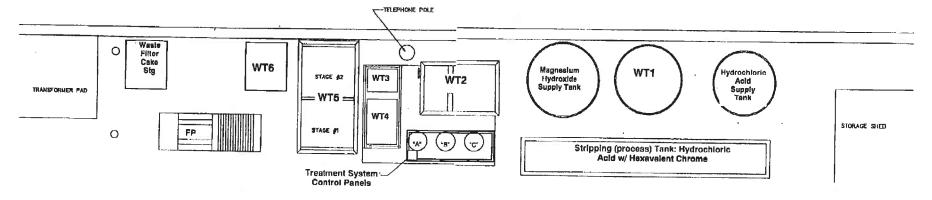
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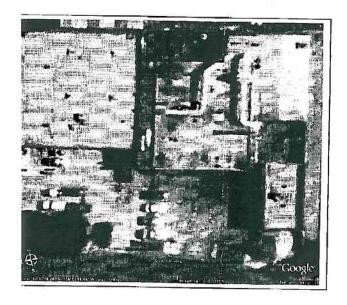
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NOTES:

WT1: Vertical Waste Hydrochloric Acid/Chrome Storage Tank

WT2: Chrome Reduction and Precipitation (magnesium hydroxide neutralization & caustic + sodium hydrosulfite addition)

WT3: Holding Tank for Flocculent Addition (polymer flash mix)

WT4: Holding Tank (flocculator)

WT5: Two Stage Clarifler

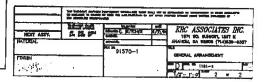
WT6: Rinse Water Storage (reused back into process)

FP: Filter Press

A: Polymer chemical drum/carboy

B: Sodium hydrosulfite drum/carboy

C: Caustic drum/carboy



Hazardous Waste Treatment System Layout

ATTACHMENT B

ELECTRONIC CHROME AND GRINDING CO., INC. WASTE ACID TREATMENT SYSTEM

TREATMENT SYSTEM LAYOUT

ATTACHMENT C

ELECTRONIC CHROME AND GRINDING CO., INC. WASTE ACID TREATMENT SYSTEM

"FIXED TREATMENT UNIT TANK INTEGRITY/SECONDARY CONTAINMENT ENGINEERING REPORT"

Electronic Chrome & Grinding Co. Inc. 9128-32 Dice Road Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 FIXED TREATMENT UNIT TANK INTEGRITY / SECONDARY CONTAINMENT ENGINEERING DATA REPORT

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Equipment Descriptions

Equipt. # WT1	Tank Description Vertical Was	n/Configuration ste Storage Tank	Dimension LxWxH 4' Dia. X 5' H	Cap 500 Gallons	Mat'l PE	Wali 3/8"		Thkns	Age 10 yrs.	
	Influent Desc.			Ratings	Piping/f	ittings	Leak (Detect		
	Low pH Hydr	ochloric Acid and He	exavalent Chrome	1.5 sg	1" P\ Hose	1" PVC		Secondary Containment		
	Corrosion Protect	Overflow System	Damage; cracks scrapes, co	orrosion, punctures, r	epairs	Rem. Servi	ice Life		ic Restraint	
	NA Plastic Manual Pump None Observed					10 yrs.		Yes		
Equipt. #	Tank Description/Co	onfiguration	Dimension LxWxH	Сар	Mat'i		Wali 7	hkns	Age	
WT2	Chrome Red Precipitation		3' X 6' X 5' H	700 Gallons	Steel Lined		1/4"		15 yrs.	
	Influent Desc.			Ratings	Piping/l	ittings	Leak (Detect	·	
	Chrome Was	stes from WT1		1.5 sg.	1" PVC Hose		Secondary Containment			
	Corrosion Protect Overflow System		Damage; cracks scrapes, co	orrosion, punctures, r	rosion, punctures, repairs F		ice Life	Seism	ic Restraint	
	Liner in Tank	Overflow to WT3	None Observed		10 yr		s. Yes			
Equipt. #	Tank Description/Co	Tank Description/Configuration Dimension LxWxH Cap			Cap Mat'l		Wall Thkns		Age	
WT3	Holding Tan Addition	k for Flocculent	3' X 2' X 20" H	100 Gallons	PE		1 ' 1		10 yrs.	
	influent Desc.			Railngs	Piping/Fittings Leak Detect					
	Solution from WT2			1.5 sg	1" P\ Hose	Secondary Containment				
	Corrosion Protect	Overflow System	Damage; cracks scrapes, corrosion, punctures, repairs		Rem. Service Life		Selsmic Restrain			
	NA Plastic Overflow to None Observed WT4					10 yrs.		Yes		
Equipt. #	Tank Description/Configuration Dimension LxWxH			Сар	Mat'l Wa		WallT	hkns	Age	
WT4	Holding Tank		2' X 1.5' 20" H	40 Gallons	PE		1/4"		10Yrs.	
	Influent Desc.			Ratings	Piping/Fittings		Leak Detect			
	Overflow from WT3			1.5 sg	1" Pvc Hose Seconda					
	Corrosion Protect	Overflow System	Damage; cracks scrapes, c	corrosion, punctures,	repairs	Rem. Servi	ce Life	Seismi	c Restraint	
	NA Plastic	Overflow to	None Observed			10 yrs.		Yes		

WT5

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Corrosion Protect

N.A.

(Plastic)

Overflow System

Reconciliation

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Equipt.#	Tank Description/Conf	iguration	Dimension LxWxH	Сар	Mat'i		Wali T	hkns	Age	
WT5	Clarifier		7' X 3.5' X 3' H Cone 2' H	700 Steel		:	3/16	137	15 yrs.	
•	Influent Desc.			Ratings	Piping/F	ittings	Leak C	Detect		
	Solution from \	NT4		1.5 sg	1" PVC Hose		Secondary Containment			
	Corrosion Protect	Overflow System	Damage; cracks scrapes, corros	sion, punctures, r	epairs	Rem. Servic	e Life	Seismi	ic Restrain	
	None Required					10 yrs.				
Equipt.#	Tank Description/Conf	Dimension LxWxH	Сар	Cap Mat'i		Wall T		Age		
WT6	Rinse Water S	Storage	64"' X 28" X 30" H	200 Gallons	Steel		1/4"		15 yrs.	
•	influent Desc.			Ratings	Piping/Fittings L		Leak [Leak Detect		
	Water from W	T5		1.5 sg 1" PV		. •	Second Contain		-	
	Corrosion Protect	Overflow System	Damage; cracks scrapes, corro	юлоsion, punctures, repairs		Rem. Service Life		Seismic Restrai		
	None Required	Overflow to WT4					Yes		3	
Equipt. #	Tank Description/Cont	figuration	Dimension LxWxH	Сар	Mat'i		Wall Thins		Age	
FP	Filter Press, Horizontal		8' x 3' x 4'	4 cu.ft	Mod XLPE & Steel frame		N.A.		7 y	
	Influent Desc.			Ratings	Piping/Fittings		Leak Detect			
	Neutral pH Metal Hydroxide Sludge, CrOH. SG ≤ 1.2			120 psi	1" D\	C Hose None				

Damage; cracks scrapes, corrosion, punctures, repairs

None

Rem. Service Life

15 y

Seismic Restraint

yes

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Containment Description

Pretreatment Containment Cell 40' X 9.5' X 9" H 2,150 g Concrete 8" 20y Material Containment Desc. Low pH < 1, Wastewater w/ HCI, CrOH, SG ≤ 1.2 700 gals + 6" = 2100 g None Non-Hazardous wastewater, pH ≈ 7 meets requirement Corrosion Protect Liner Damage; cracks scrapes, corrosion, punctures, repairs Rem. Service Life Seismic Restrain No None 15 y Yes	Equipt. #	Tank Description/C	ontiguration	Dimension LXVVXH	Cap	Math	Wall Thkns	Age
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No No None 15 v Yes						_	110110	
		Corrosion Protect	Liner	Damage; cracks scrapes, cor	rosion, punctures, r	epairs Rem. Serv	ice Lite Se	eismic Restraint
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Visual Observation/Daily Inspections are recorded. All equipment, pipes, ancillary devices are		24 hr Leak Detection	No	None		15 y	Υ	es



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All tanks are installed aboveground. The area is not at risk due to vehicular traffic.

STRUCTURAL DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS (§66265.192(a)(5))

As noted in the containment certification prepared by Mr. Davis, the tank system (including pumps and piping) has been adequately designed and has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or rupture. It should be noted that the tank supports were recently retrofitted with steel bolts and additional bracing as a result of this 2006 Tank Certification Project. The tank foundations will maintain the load of the full tank, and all tanks are properly anchored per Zone 4 seismic requirements.

Attachment B contains the summary certification and description page for the seismic and structural evaluation.

PROPER INSTALLATION OF TANK SYSTEMS (§66265.192(b))

There are no reports available addressing observations of the tank system during the installation phase. The tanks were reportedly installed in 1992-1993 and although the operation and maintenance manual from the initial installation was reviewed for this certification, records could not be located specifically addressing the installation or design criteria in use at that time.



BACKFILL FOR UNDERGROUND TANKS AND PIPING (§66265.192(c))

This section is not applicable because the tanks, piping and components are not located underground.

TIGHTNESS TESTING FOR NEW TANK SYSTEMS (§66265.192(d))

Records were unavailable to establish that the tanks were hydrostatically tested upon initial installation. However, they have been in use in 1993 and no leaks have been reported or recorded. During the certification process, the tanks were observed to be partially full to completely full and no evidence of leaking was observed by either Hugh Davis or Oscar Malkhoo during their site evaluations.

ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION (§66265.192(e))

All ancillary equipment containing regulated waste including piping, pumps, valves, mixers, filter press, etc. is located within the concrete secondary containment area. Transfer pumps are anchored within the containment area and piping is affixed to concrete walls and/or steel support structures. Painted metal supporting beams and elevated work platforms have been used to reinforce ancillary equipment from vibration, thermal expansion, or seismic movement. Since the secondary containment structure has a capacity of over 2,100 gallons which exceeds the largest tank within the structure (700 gallons), plus 6 inched of rainfall, the ancillary equipment does not appear to pose a risk of spill or release to the environment.

CORROSION PROTECTION (§66265.192(f))

The tank system is located in a reinforced concrete containment area that is coated with a chemically resistant coating. The tanks do not contact soil and the tanks are all constructed of or lined with polyethylene or polyvinyl chloride, non-metallic materials that is not susceptible to corrosion. All piping is made from PVC.

Ed, should you or the Santa Fe Springs Fire Department require additional information, please contact me at 714-322-0470.

Sincerely,

ESCI EnviroServices, Inc.

Steven M. Lichten, REA, CPEA, CPP

President

Principal Environmental Scientist

Attachment:



ATTACHMENT A

ELECTRONIC CHROME AND GRINDING CO., INC. WASTE ACID TREATMENT SYSTEM

ENGINEERING CERTIFICATIONS

Tank and Secondary Containment Assessment Document

This document was prepared for:

Company name: ELECTRONIC CHROME & GRINDING CO. INC.

Address: 9128-32 DICE ROAD

City, California ZIP: SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670

Tank/system identification:

Chrome Reduction and Precipitation System. Tanks WT1 through WT6 and FP

Date of inspection(s)/assessment:

This equipment was inspected and certified as adequate for the requirements of 22CCR265.192 and 22CCR265.193 on July 18, 2006

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who mange the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to be the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Assessors name:

Oscar Malkhoo

California PE No.:

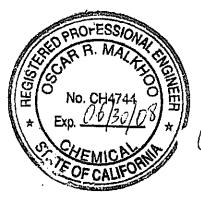
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Address of assessor:

342 Eliot Lane

City, State Zip:

Long Beach, CA 90814



Char R. Malling 09/27/2006

Date stamped/signed:

Tel/Fax: \$62.434.5017 • Pgr: \$62.221-0718 342 Eliot Lane, Long Beach, CA 90814 E-mail: omalkhoo@verizon.net

CONTAINMENT CERTIFICATION

I, Oscar Malkhoo, an independent California Registered Professional Engineer, have reviewed the entire Wastewater Treatment Plant at *Electronic Chrome & Grinding Co. Inc.*, 9128-32 Dice Road, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670.

I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the tanks, piping and pumps are constructed of material that is suitable to handle the wastes that are treated at the facility. Based on the waste characterization that was presented by the facility the materials used were compatible with the wastes that the facility treats. The materials used in the tanks, pumps, and piping are steel, fiberglass, polyethylene, and polyvinyl chloride. These materials showed no erosion or corrosion at the time of the inspection.

The system was determined to meet the corrosion protection requirements of CCR Title 22, 66265,192.

Based on the above assessment. I believe that the system has a remaining life of over 5 years. The facility will have an independent professional engineer re-certify this system every 5 years, and any deficiencies that are found will be corrected before certification is reissued.

EXP. O6/30/08 *

Registered Professional Engineer

07/18/2006



HUGH L. DAVIS COMPANY

MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

COUTH PASADENA CALIFORNIA 91030:

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P.O. BOX 3265 SOUTH PASADENA, CA. 91031 TEL & FAX 626-441-4343

JOB_	Electronic Chrome & Grinding Inc.
	9128 Dice Road
-	Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670
DOC	UMENT TITLE Containment Certification
	Waste Water Treatment System July 18, 2006

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief. true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

> Sept. 25, 2006



HUGH L. DAVIS COMPANY

MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

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P.O. Box 3265 SOUTH PASADENA, CA. 91031 TEL = 626-441-4343

CONTAINMENT CERTIFICATION

I, Hugh L. Davis, an independent California Registered Professional Engineer, have reviewed the entire Waste Water Treatment System, including all tanks and containments dedicated to wastewater treatment at: ELECTRONIC CHROME & GRINDING CO. INC. 9128 Dice Road, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the tanks, pumps and piping from the rinse tanks are not leaking, nor are they unfit for use. An assessment has been made to determine that the above equipment is adequately designed and has sufficient structural strength to prevent collapse or rupture. This assessment addresses the following as specified in CCR Title 22.66265.192.

- ١. Tank foundations will maintain the load of the full tank.
- 2. Tanks are properly anchored per Zone 4 seismic requirements.
- 3. No tanks were visibly leaking at the time of inspection.
- 4. All tanks were properly installed and are well maintained.
- 5. The secondary containment system will contain at least 100% of the contents of the largest tank within the area.
- 6. This system has been in operation since 1993.

Based on the above assessment, I believe that this system is adequate for continued service.

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This certification is valid for 5 years from the date below. After that date, the system must be re-certified by and independent professional engineer in order to remain in compliance with CCR Title 22.265.192. Any deficiencies found must be corrected before re-certification can be issued.

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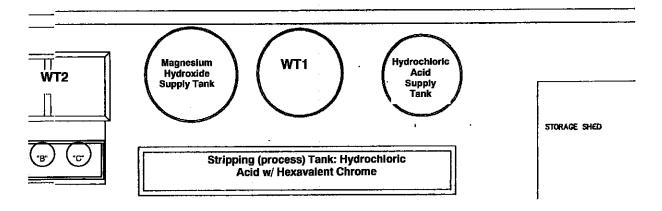
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ATTACHMENT B

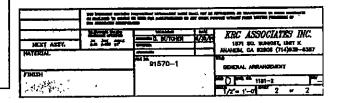
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TREATMENT SYSTEM LAYOUT

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tical Waste Hydrochloric Acid/Chrome rage Tank
ome Reduction and Precipitation gnesium hydroxide neutralization & caustic idium hydrosulfite addition)
ding Tank for Flocculent Addition (polymer h mix)
ding Tank (flocculator)
Stage Clarifier
se Water Storage (reused back into cess)
Press
er chemical drum/carboy
n hydrosulfite drum/carboy
c drum/carboy



ATTACHMENT C

ELECTRONIC CHROME AND GRINDING CO., INC. WASTE ACID TREATMENT SYSTEM

"FIXED TREATMENT UNIT TANK INTEGRITY/SECONDARY CONTAINMENT ENGINEERING REPORT"

Electronic Chrome & Grinding Co. Inc. 9128-32 Dice Road Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 FIXED TREATMENT UNIT TANK INTEGRITY / SECONDARY CONTAINMENT ENGINEERING DATA REPORT

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Equipment Descriptions

Equipt. # VVT1	Tank Description Vertical Was	n/Configuration Ite Storage Tank	Ölmension LxWxH 4′ Dia, X 5′ H	Cap 500 Gailons	Mat'l PE			Thkns	Aÿ€ 10 yrs.	
	Influent Desc.	Ratings	Pipı ng/ ř	ittings	Leak D	keteat				
	Low pH Hydr	1.5 sg	1" PV Hose		Secondary Containment					
	Corrosion Protect	Overflow System	Damage, cracks scrapes, corro	osion, punctures, re	ipaiss .	Rem. Servi	ce Life	Seism	ic Restratel	
	NA Plastic	Manual Pump	None Observed			10 yrs.		Yes		
Equipt. #	Tank Description/Configuration Cimension LxWxH			Cap	Meil		Wall T	hans	Age	
WT2	Chrome Red Precipitation		3' X 6' X 5' H	700 Gallons	Steel Lined		1/4"		15 yrs.	
	Influent Desc			Ratings	Picing/F	ittings	Lesk (inte a		
	Chrome Was	stes from WT1		1.5 sg.	1" PVC Hose		Secondary Containment			
	Corresion Protect	Oveniow System	Deraage: cracks scrapes, com	esion, punctures, n	repairs Rem. Ser		envice Life Saisr		ic Restain	
	Liner in Tank	Overflow to WT3	None Observed			10 yrs.		Yes		
Equipt, #	pt. # Tank Description/Configuration		Dimension LxV/xi-	Cap	Ma!'I		Wall Tha		Age	
WT3	Holding Tar Addition	ik for Flocculent	3' X 2' X 20" H	100 Gallons	PE		1/e"		10 yrs	
	influent Gesc.			Retings	Floing/Fittings Leak Detect					
	Solution from	1 VVT2		1.5 s g	1.5 sg 1" PVC Hose			Secondary Containment		
	Corresion Protect Overflow System Damage; cracks scrapes, corresion, p			rusion, poneturas.	sion, concturas, repairs Re		Rem, Service Life		Geemic Restation	
	NA Plastic Overflow to None Observed WT4		·	10 yrs.		Yes				
Equipt. #	Tank Déscription/Configuration Dimension LxWxrr			Cap	Mati Wa		Wait T	ัดจาย	Age	
WT4	Holding Tank 2' X 1.5' 20" H			40 Gallons	1		14"		10Yrs	
	Influent Desc.			Railings	Piping/Fittings Leak Datest					
	Overflow from WT3			1.5 sg	1" Pvo Hose Secor Conta					
	Corresion Protect	Overflow System	Damage, crasks scrapes, cor	товіскі, рипештев.	repaire	Rom. Service Life		Seism	ic Phataire	
	NA Plastic	Overflow to WT5	None Observed		· ·			Yes		

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Equipt. #	Tank Description/Cor	figuration	Dimension Ux\4x₽	Сар	Mai't	Wall Ti		hirs	Age	
WT5	Clarifier		7' X 3.5' X 3' H Cone 2' H	700 Gallons	Steel		3/16	11	15 yrs.	
	influent Desc.				Piping/F	ittings	Leok, D	Detect		
	Solution from WT4			1.5 sg	1" PVC Hose		Secondary Containment			
	Corrosion Protect Overliow System Damage, cracks scrapes, cor			ion, punctures, n	epairs	Rem. Sarvice Life		Seismi	a Restrain	
	None Required	Water to WT6 Sludge to FP	1 10)				s Ye		;s 	
Equipt.#	Tank Description/Con	ninguretion	Olmension £xWxH	Cap	Mat'l		Wali Tosas		- ក្នុង	
WTS	Rinse Water	64"' X 28" X 30" H	200 Gallons	Steel		И"		15 yrs.		
	influent Desc			Ratings	Piping/Fittings Li			Detect		
	Water from WT5			1.5 sg	1" PVC Seconda Hose Contains					
	Corresion Protect	Overflow System	Damage; cracks scrapes, corros	ion. punctures, r	Rem. Service Lit		.ile Seismic Ras			
	None Overflow to None Observed Required WT4					10 yrs		Yes	··	
Equipt.#	Tank Description/Configuration Dimension ExWxH			Cap	เพลเบ		Wal	Tarns	Age	
FP 	Filter Press, Horizontal 8' x 3' x 4'			4 cu.ft		Viod XLPE N.A. & Steel frame		4.	7 y	
	Influent Desc			Ratings	Piping/Fittings Leas Outect					
	Neutral pH Metal Hydroxide Sludge, CrOH. SG ≤ 1.2			120 p si	1" P\	PVC Hose None		i p		
	Corresion Protect	Overflow System	Damage; cracks scrapes, corrus	ision, punctures, repairs		Rem. Service Life		e Seizmis Resti		
	N.A. (Plastic)	Manual Reconciliation	None		15 y y			yes		

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Containment Description

Ednibi: #	Tank Description/C	onliguration	Dimension ExpoxH:	Cab	MART	WEIT TO	re Age	
NA	Pretreatmer	nt Containment Celi	40' X 9.5' X 9" H	2,150 g	Concrete	8"	20y	
	Waterial Containme	ent Desc.		Containment	Zbyr Rain + Container	ruak De	led j	
	Low pH < 1, Wastewater w/ HCl, CrOH, SG ≤ 1.2			700 gals + 6" = 2100 g		None		
		lon-Hazardous wastewater, pH ≈ 7			meets requirement			
	Corresion Piolect	Liner	Damage; cracks scrapes, comps	ión, punctures, r	apairs T Rem. Serv	ice Lite	Selentic Resumit	
	No	No	None		15 v	Ì	Yes	
	24 hr Laek Celection	in						
	Visual Observation/Daily Inspections are recorded. All equipment, pipes, ancillary devices are							
	aboveground and can be observed for leak or failure.							